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Subject(s)

1. Consumer credit reports.
2. Young Adult Voluntary Foster Care (YAVFC).
3. Policy clarifications.

1) Consumer Credit Reports

FOM 722-6E, Consumer Credit Reports

The interim policy bulletin, FOB 2012-002, Foster Care Interim Bulletin for Annual Credit Reports, was updated and incorporated in this policy release. FOB 2012-002 is obsolete with the release of this manual item.

Reason: Child and Family Services Improvement and Innovation Act (Public Law 112-34).

Communication Plan: Consumer credit report job aids.

2) YAVFC

FOM 722-16, Foster Care - Young Adult Voluntary Foster Care

Exceptions were given to youth participating in specified areas of the armed forces. Explanation and clarifications were made in regards to county of residence, judicial determination process, verification of eligibility, and the DHS-1297, YAVFC Agreement.

FOM 902-21, Young Adult Voluntary Foster Care (YAVFC) Funding and Payments

The funding source for grace periods was updated to reflect that title IV-E funds cannot be used for grace periods. The youth's alternate fund source of 05 - limited term/emergency/general fund (GF) must be used for payments during a grace period.

FOM 902-21A, Young Adult Voluntary Foster Care (YAVFC) Fair Hearing Process

This policy item was added to provide instruction on how fair hearings must be handled for youth in the YAVFC program. A youth who is denied or closed from the YAVFC program must be provided a DHS-1301, Young Adult Voluntary Foster Care Case

Denial/Closure Notice, which provides instruction for the youth if the youth decides to appeal the denial/closure.

Reason: Foster Care Program Office and Federal Compliance Division clarifications.

Communication Plan: Links to job aids were added in the policy item. Additional job aids are also included.

3) Policy Clarifications

FOM 902, Funding Determinations and Title IV-E Eligibility

The section, Negotiation with American Indian Tribes, was added to this policy item.

FOM 903-9, Non-Scheduled Payments DHS-634

A clarification was made that payments for neither service code 0808, mental health - psychological evaluation nor reimbursement for counseling/therapy can be title IV-E funded.

Reason: Federal Compliance Division clarifications.

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Added Items ...

**FOM 722-6E
FOM 902-21A**

Changed Items (content changes) ...

**FOM 722-16
FOM 902
FOM 902-21
FOM 903-9**